



physician owned diagnostic imaging center payment policy

description of procedure/service

This policy applies to non-hospital diagnostic imaging centers that perform Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Computerized Axial Tomography (CT scan) and Positron Emission Tomography (PET scan) procedures in an outpatient setting.

policy

Effective as of the date of this policy, Fallon Community Health Plan (FCHP) will not contract with new physician owned diagnostic imaging centers that perform MRI, CT scan and PET scans except as specifically noted within a contract. The technical component of MRI, CT scan and PET scan procedures billed by physicians or medical group practices will not be reimbursed. Services must be referred to a FCHP contracted facility or mobile provider that separately bills for their services.

benefits application

- FCHP Direct Care/FCHP Select Care
- FCHP Independent Care
- FCHP Flex Care Direct/Select
- Fallon Senior Plan™
- FCHP MassHealth
- Major Medical
- Bill at Home/Direct Enrollment
- Fallon Preferred
- Fallon Senior Preferred

coverage and reimbursement criteria

Technical and global MRI, CT scan and PET scan claims billed by individual physicians or physician group practices will not be reimbursed by FCHP. Services will be denied and the member may not be held liable.

preauthorization requirements

Preauthorization is required for certain radiology testing as outlined in the FCHP *Provider Manual*.

billing/coding guidelines

Not applicable.

place of service

This policy applies to services rendered in an outpatient setting.

policy implementation

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